Accident of Nagarjun-Inter City Express

2236. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether over thirteen bus passengers were killed and several others injured as a bus rammed into the Nagarjun-Inter City Express at an unmanned rail level crossing near Guntur; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. On 27.1.97, 7006 Inter-City Express dashed against a bus at unmanned level crossing between Bandarupalli and Nallapadu stations of Vijayawada Division of South Central Railway. In this accident, 16 bus passengers were killed and 7 injured. The accident took place due to failure on the part of the bus driver to take precaution, as laid down under Section 131 of the Motor Vehicles Act, before negotiating the level crossing.

LRTS in Hyderabad

2237. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra pradesh Government have sent any proposal for Light Rail Transit System (LRTS) in Hyderabad city to ease transport congestion;

(b) whether the said project was posed for external assistance; if so, the results thereof; and

(c) whether the Railways are participating in the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (c) No Sir. Under the revised Allocation of Business Rules. 1986, proposals for such rail based urban transport projects are now to be processed by the Ministry of Urban Affairs and Employment and the State Government concerned. Railways in not involved in the LRTS project in Hyderabad.

त्रिपुरा में उपनगरीय रेलगाड़ियां

2238. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे:** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) त्रिपुरा में पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान उपनगरीय रेलगाड़ियों के लिए योजनागत तथा गैर-योजनागत कुल कितनी-कितनी धनराशि आवंटित की गई;

(ख) क्या पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के अंतर्गत त्रिपुरा में लगभग सभी रेलवे स्टेशनों/खंडों को उपनगरीय तथा अन्य रेलगाड़ियों में यात्री सुविधाओं में भारी कमी आई है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकार उपरोक्त खंडों में यात्री सुविधाओं में वृद्धि करने के लिए क्या-क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सतपाल महाराज): (क) त्रिपुरा में कोई उपनगरीय गाड़ी सेवा नहीं है।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता

Construction of Railway Station at Preet Vihar

2239. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct a Railway Station near Preet Vihar, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the work on the project is likely to commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (c) There is a proposal for opening of a halt station at Preet Vihar between Tilak Bridge and Anand Vihar stations. The proposal has been examined several times in the past but has neither been found operationally feasible nor financially justified. Besides, the area is well connected by road transport facilities.